

(92) There was a short party for Webster on September 11th. He was immediately flown to Leningrad with an interpreter and met by an Intourist representative. He applied for work at the Leningrad Scientific Research Institute, Polymerized Plastics and lived in the Baltiskaya Hotel for a month. He was allowed to call his girl friend and she was allowed to visit and make plans for a vacation.

(93) On October 17, 1959 Webster was staying in Moscow. He attended a meeting at the Central Office, Visas and Registration (OVIR) with the original Soviet representative he had contact with, an unknown Soviet, H. J. Rand, his assistant George H. Bookbinder and Richard E. Snyder at the U. S. Embassy. Webster states he was free to speak, and told Snyder when he had applied for Soviet citizenship, ~~when he had been accepted and that he had been granted~~ a Soviet passport on September 21, 1959. He filled out a form entitled "Affidavit of Expatriated Person" and wrote his resignation to Rand Development Corporation.

(94) Webster ^{later} explained ~~that he had lied in his affidavit.~~ He had no Soviet documentation at the time, having in his possession an American passport which he never sent to Snyder as requested. Webster states the Soviets had instructed him to say his reasons for defecting were political.

(95) Webster's girlfriend joined him the following day and both went on a month vacation at the Suitland Sanitarium in Sochi. They returned to Leningrad and began work